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[Full-text transcription of: Letter from L. B. Fleak, lowa to Governor Reynolds, Jefferson City, Mo.]

Fleak. P.M.
about Joe Smith
Oct: 1842
His Excellency Thos Reynolds
Jefferson City
Mo

Keokuk I.T. Oct 5th 1842

Gov Reynolds Dr Sir

I am this moment in receipt of your favour of the 23rd Ultimo & Mailed on the 26th and also in receipt of the enclosed letter from my half brother who left here this morning.

I hope that my brother has not been misinformed
The Town that he dates his letter at is immediately
opposite Nauvoo—Since writing the above another
respectable man has arrived at my house with the ["word" crossed out]
same report that my brother sends me—he obtained his
information from one of the leaders of the Church. In fact
he told me that he had seen a letter from Jo. stating
that there would be no chance for him longer to
escape, that the officers were then in Nauvoo &c
In this same package I send you another letter
that I had written before I was in receipt of
either yours or my brother's letters. It is a fact that
Smith ordered the Mormons back to Nauvoo that
had started. The person of whom they were purchas=
ing told me not 10 minutes since

Success to the enterprize

Your obdt servt L. B. Fleak

P.S. I will write you again) tomorrow night

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about Mormon
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